

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

JUNE 28, 2019

FM 646 East and Westbound Lanes Opening This Weekend

TxDOT has announced that this weekend, crews will open the eastbound and westbound lanes of FM 646 at IH-45 to cross traffic, reconfiguring the intersection of FM 646. Single lane closures will alternate throughout the weekend at various locations in order to connect the new frontage roads to the FM 646 intersection. These closures will begin Friday night starting at 8 p.m. and finally opening the east/west lanes by Monday at 5 a.m. The limits will stay confined surrounding the bell curves of the existing intersection.

Independence Day Celebrations in League City

League City staff is preparing for the upcoming July 3 and 4 celebrations happening next week. The League City Fireworks Extravaganza on July 3 will feature 16 food trucks, live music by Andy and the Dreamsicles, inflatables for kids, over 25 vendor booths, and a fireworks show that will start promptly at 9 p.m. Families are encouraged to



bring their lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the fireworks display. Coolers are welcome, but pop-up tents are not allowed. Public parking will be at the Sportsplex on a first-come, first-serve basis, and additional parking will be available at Hometown Heroes Park. The City is providing a <u>downloadable event map</u>, which includes entrance and parking information. In addition, complimentary shuttle buses will be available at Hometown Heroes Park starting at 5 p.m. and will transport riders to and from the Sportsplex.

Citizen Appreciation Day on July 4 will be bigger and better this year with live entertainment by Charles Daughtry and the Relics, a trackless train for children, a petting zoo, free hot dogs, ice cream, a balloon drop and a dunking booth. Activities will begin at 10 a.m. at Hometown Heroes Park, and the pool will be open for swimming starting at 10:30 a.m.

Also, residents are encouraged to decorate their bicycles, strollers or wagons in patriotic colors for League City's first Bike Parade starting at noon.





Fireworks Illegal Within City Limits

The League City Fire Marshal's Office would like to remind the citizens and visitors of League City that it is unlawful to discharge or possess opened fireworks within the City limits of League City. Per the City Ordnance, a firework is defined as "any composition or device designed to produce a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration, or detonation." The Fire Marshal's Office will be out patrolling for fireworks over the Fourth of July holiday and a violation of this law could result in a fine of up to \$2000. To report illegal activity, please contact the League City Public Safety Dispatch Center at 281-332-2566.

Public Works Updates

Rain Barrel Distribution

This weekend, staff with the Public Works Department will be distributing over 170 rain barrels that were previously purchased by League City residents earlier this year. The distribution will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday at Hometown Heroes Park, 1001 E. League City Parkway. Public Works crews will assist in directing vehicles to the correct pickup location, and explain the details of installation and loading rain barrels into vehicles for residents. Proper use of these rain barrels will help conserve water by limiting surface water usage to irrigate gardens and landscapes. Residents who purchased a rain barrel will also receive a \$25 water utility credit.

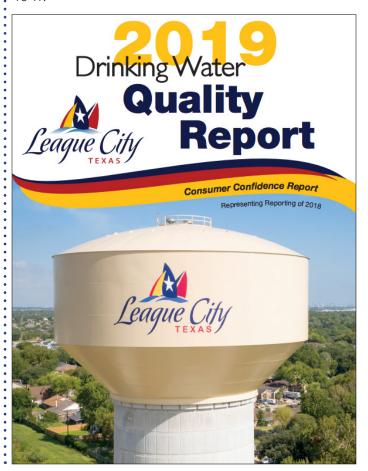




2019 Drinking Water Quality Report

The 2019 Drinking Water Quality Report for League City is now available on the City's website. This report is intended to provide residents with important information about the City's drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water. To read the report, click here.

For more information regarding this report, please contact Tommy Arredondo, Water Superintendent at (281) 554-1041.



Public Works Updates

Wastewater Spot Inspections

The Galveston County Health District (GCHD) conducted wastewater spot inspections this week for the Dallas Salmon and Southwest Water Reclamation Wastewater Treatment facilities. The City of League City and GCHD have an interlocal agreement for water pollution and abatement services. As part of the agreement, GCHD inspects the wastewater facilities to ensure compliance with discharge permit requirements. The agreement also provides investigations of non-point source water pollution and surface water sampling of local waterways. The inspections are consistent with protocols currently used by the Region 12 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Water Quality Section for wastewater treatment facilities.





CIP Updates

Claremont Connector Trail Project (PK 1703): This project is scheduled to go out for bid in early July. The intent is to have an 8-foot wide multi-use concrete path that is approximately 1.5 miles in length. This trail project will connect the subdivisions of Claremont Park, Cedar Landing, and Clear Creek meadows to the existing trails of Clear Creek Meadows (to the east) and Rustic Oaks (to the west). This project also has a drainage component that is intended to mitigate the drainage along the Floyd Road corridor and also along a Centerpoint easement.



Fire Station No. 6 (FR 1701): Last week, the contractors poured concrete on the 2nd level floor. The 3rd floor decking is complete and is slated to be poured this week, weather permitting. The fire sprinkler and plumbing roughin piping is complete. The electrical rough-in is ongoing due to outlets that are going into the concrete masonry unit blocks; and the HVAC is scheduled to begin next week. The concrete masonry units are ongoing and slated to be completed within the next 35 days, if weather permits. The completion of the new fire station near the intersection of League City Parkway and South Shore Boulevard is on schedule to be completed in the spring of 2020.



CIP Updates

Fire Training Room Expansion (RE1706):



League City Animal Care and Adoption Center (PD1502): The contractor has completed the exterior water-proofing, started brick installation for the front of the building, completed the roof installation for the entire building, and completed the masonry concrete work for the kennel area. Over the next week, the contractor will continue sheetrock installation, electrical rough-ins, top out the plumbing, finish the steel erection bracing for the corridor walls in the kennel area, cover up HVAC openings, rework a utility water main line, and continue the masonry walls for the sally port. The project is on schedule and anticipated to be completed in the first quarter of 2020.



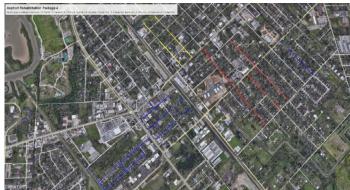
Burd House Exterior Rehabilitation Project (PK1801B):

Crews are continuing with painting the trim work and final touches of the Burd House. The inclement weather has been affecting progress, but completion is still scheduled for July 2019. The basketball court, courtyard and pavilion will continue to remain open during construction.



Asphalt Street Rehabilitation Package 4 (RE1704):

This project is currently out for bid with bids due at 2 p.m. on July 16, 2019 at City Hall. This project is anticipated to rehabilitate approximately 17,853 linear feet of asphalt roads including North Michigan Avenue and Colorado Avenue in the Historic District, David Avenue, Illinois Avenue, South Iowa Avenue, South Kansas Avenue, East Galveston Street, East Wilkins Street, East Saunders Street, West Wilkins Street, Interurban Street, and West Saunders Street.



Public Safety Updates

LCPD Recognizes Employees

Two League City Police Department team members are being recognized for their outstanding work. Telecommunicator Meagan Votaw received the Chief's Coin of Excellence for helping recover a stolen vehicle. On the night of June 10, an aggravated robbery was reported to the Texas City Police Department involving five to six juvenile suspects that held a victim at gunpoint and took his 2012 Black Ford Mustang. At 11:35 p.m., Telecommunicator Meagan Votaw was on her break at the Walmart on FM 646 when she observed a vehicle matching the description of the one that was stolen in Texas City. Meagan confirmed that the license plate on the rear of the vehicle was the stolen vehicle, informed the League City Dispatch Center and officers were dispatched to the area. The suspects in the vehicle became aware of Meagan's presence, and they attempted to flee the scene. Meagan had the presence of mind to maintain a safe distance, and continue monitoring the vehicle until responding officers were able to initiate a stop on the suspect vehicle. Meagan's quick thinking and immediate action directly led to the recovery of a stolen vehicle and the apprehension of six suspects. She clearly distinguished herself through exceptional service and represented herself and the League City Police Department with honor.

Support Services Bureau Commander and Reserve Captain Darrell Kelemen received the Meritorious Service Award. Darrell was appointed to manage this Bureau and promoted to the same level as a Captain in a civilian position and also as a Reserve Captain. Darrell has a number of responsibilities, but none more important than managing the Department's GRID Consortium. Over the years, Darrell has overseen the integration





of 65 agencies into the consortium, and each one of these integrations involved numerous hours of training both onsite and offsite, and hours spent on the phone throughout the day and well into the night. Darrell has always made himself available to ensure the transitions were as smooth as possible and has become a subject matter expert and sought by agencies across the United States. Darrell's commitment to keep our department at the forefront of technology has served to make the League City Police Department a trendsetter among law enforcement agencies.

CPR Training

On Tuesday, June 25, League City EMS hosted a training class for members of the League City Volunteer Fire Department to recertify them in CPR. To assure that all members are recertified, EMS schedules a CPR class every week for a month during LCVFD training nights.



Public Safety Updates

Local Resident and Paramedics' Efforts Save Man's Life

Two young, local residents and members of the League City EMS Department are being recognized for coming together to save a man's life. On April 9, James Hackney suffered from a heart attack while playing tennis at the South Shore Fitness Center. Two of the fitness center employees, 22-year-old Bailey Jones and 18-year-old Cristian Quijano, quickly assisted Hackney and took turns administering CPR until League City EMS arrived. Through their quick actions, League City paramedics were able to revive Hackney, who is now recovering. Quijano and Jones were recognized by League City Police Department's Chief Gary Ratliff for their heroic efforts



and courage and members of the EMS Department were awarded the Medical Directors Coin for their professionalism and dedication.

Firefighter Training

On June 22 and 23, the League City Volunteer Fire Department hosted Chief Scott Thompson with the Functional Fire Company to speak on a wide variety of topics to members of the department and surrounding jurisdictions. The two-day training included helpful tips and information about leadership, risk management, training and mentoring. Firefighters also participated in an inland swimmer training over the weekend.





Firefighter Swearing-In

Mayor Pat Hallisey administered the oath of office to 16 new volunteer firefighters during Tuesday's council meeting. After undergoing arduous training, the cadets successfully completed the fire academy and will now be proudly serving the City of League City. We congratulate and thank all the new volunteer firefighters joining our Fire Department!





Public Safety Updates

LCPD Investigating Fatal Hit and Run

The League City Police
Department is seeking assistance to locate a hit and run suspect.
At approximately 3:50 a.m. on
June 24, 2019, League City Police responded to the 1800 block of FM 270 South in reference to a welfare concern. On arrival, officers found an unresponsive white male, later identified as 19-year-old River Russell, lying



near a ditch just west of the roadway. They found a debris field of personal items, including a skateboard, on the roadway and shoulder. Police believe the vehicle that hit Russell was traveling southbound. Russell was transported to an area hospital in critical condition but died on June 26. Investigators believe Russel was hit sometime between 2:45 and 3:50 a.m.



The League City Police Department has released a photo of a white truck that may have connection to the incident. Anyone with information that can help identify the suspect or truck who may have hit Russell is asked to call Detective Thiara at 281-554-1873.

Recruiting Open House

League City Police Department will be hosting a Recruiting Open House event at the League City Police Department on Monday, July 8 and Thursday, July 11 at 6:30 p.m. Those who are thinking about a career in law enforcement will be introduced to the LCPD recruiting team and will be able to ask questions at the event. Following the Q&A session, attendees can either take a tour of the station or can take a practice physical assessment test, which is the same standard as the official test given after the civil service exam. This is an informal event and anyone interested in the hiring process is welcome to attend.

Click <u>here</u> to register for either event. When you register for the event by clicking on the above link, put either "8" or "11" after your first name (ex: Smith, John 8) to indicate which day you will be attending.

Girl Scout Cookie Delivery



The League City Police Department received a sweet surprise this week when a local Girl Scout Troop dropped off 288 boxes of cookies donated by the community as part of the "Cookies for Heroes." Thank you, Troop 1391261

Parks and Recreation Updates

Family Fun Night

Join us on Friday, July 12 at Hometown Heroes Park for a movie in the pool at our second Family Fun Night of the summer. Starting at 6 p.m., the night kicks off with an open swim and pool obstacle course, followed by the Disney movie "Brave" at 8 p.m. Food and snacks will be available for purchase at the concession stand. The entry is \$6 for residents and \$10 for non-residents. No pre-registration is required.



Library Updates

Craftivity!

Throughout the year, children from ages 0 to 5 can come to the Helen Hall Library, and create a fun, themed craft to take home with them. So far this summer, children have made personal constellations. Coming up on June 28 from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. in the Library Theater, children can make their own star streamers. Upcoming crafts this month include planet masks (July 12) and a pinwheel representing your own personal galaxy (July 26).

Craftivity is a wonderful way for younger children to express themselves creatively, but did you know that the library provides craft materials so that children of all ages can make a cool and unique craft anytime?

The craft supplies are kept in the green wooden alligator fondly known as "Big Al," and are found in the children's crafting area—right near the giant chalkboard. There are all kinds of items that children can use in their creations, like pipe cleaners, popsicle sticks, crayons, glue, construction paper, toilet paper rolls and more.



Families are welcome to donate supplies. We look forward to seeing all the artistic productions!

Communications Updates

Heart of League City







Citizen University Class Graduates

The Spring 2019 League City Citizen University class received their certificates of achievement from City Council on Tuesday for officially graduating from the 10-week program. The class was made up of 15 residents and business owners looking to learn more about the City's operations. Each week, they attended presentations by City directors and received tours of City facilities to become more familiar with their local government. Congratulations to our graduates! The next Citizen University session will be held in the fall of this year.



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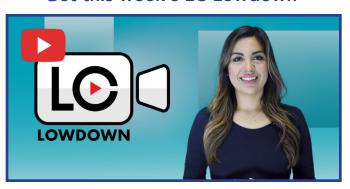
Mondays with Mayor Pat

Every Monday from 12:30 to 12:45 p.m., League City Mayor Pat Hallisey discusses important City issues and initiatives, and answers questions Live on the City's Facebook page. Have something you want to talk about on Mondays with Mayor Pat? Email sarah. greerosborne@leaguecitytx.gov.

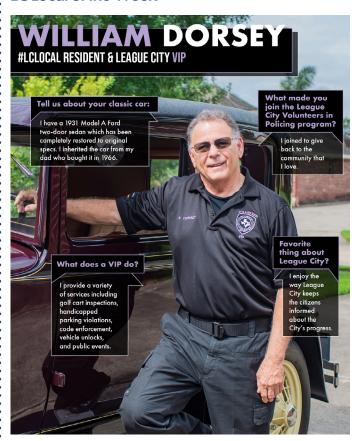




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LC Local of the Week



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Events and Meetings

July 3: Fireworks Extravaganza

July 4: Citizen Appreciation Day League City Bike Parade

July 8: LCPD Open House

July 11: LCPD Open House

July 12: Family Fun Night